

I voice opposition to the proposed rule 02-278 in its current presentation. I would simply suggest that the final rule on this subject include similar language (if not exact) in the recently revised/adopted HIPAA (patient privacy and records management) rule from HHS. In short, it includes language that provides the rule to let more stringent state laws/regulations to remain in effect and essentially supercede provisions of the HIPAA regulations. It would be a perfect model for your agency to consider when implementing what I believe is an excellent step taken by your agency - my suggestion will only make your proposal better.

My other thoughts include:

That the FCC should not implement any proposal that would lessen Indiana's Telephone Privacy law protections.

- Indiana's Telephone Privacy law has improved my quality of life at home.

- Indiana's law HAS BEEN AND CONTINUES to be effective. Before this law, I used to get 3-8 evening calls during the week that I would answer (or not answer) and my caller-ID showed at least 3-6 calls during the day while I was at work. Now I am lucky if I get one per month and those are usually out-of-state companies that aren't aware of Indiana's DO NOT CALL LIST.

Indiana's law not only eliminates unwanted calls, it conserves energy, time, and reduces costs.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH for this opportunity to express my thoughts on your proposed rule.

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